JRN. 10. 2006 NUTTERMOCLENNENFISH 2:10PM

NO.994

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s):

Lisa M. Donnelly et al.

Application No:

10/608,899

Filing Date:

June 27, 2003

Entitled:

FLEXIBLE TIBIAL SHEATE

Atty. Docket No:

22956-218

Group Art Unit: 3738

Examiner: Javier G. Blanco

Certificate of Presimile (37 C.F.R. L8(a))

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited via faceintile no. (971) 273-6300 to MS AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 on the date set forth bulow.

Date of Efgrature and Mail Deposit

Bys Lisa Adams, Refg. Nov. 44.238 Attorney for Applicant(s)

MS AF Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

RESPONSE

Dear Sir.

Applicants submit this paper in response to the Office Action dated November 15, 2005.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.